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Editorial
June, 1968

The origin of the word June is somewhat obscure but it might have been named for Juno - so claims the Roman Poet Ovid. It was named in her honor, this probably explains the popularity of June for marriages since in Roman times May was supposed to be an unlucky month for marriage. Whatever the true history, June is the bride's month in the United States, the month of marriages. It also contains Statehood Day for Kentucky and Tennessee (June 1st), Bunker Hill Day (17th), West Virginia Day (20th) and the beginning of summer, June 21st. While June contains several

historical dates and anniversaries of specific interest to Americans, it is perhaps best remembered for its connections with two world wars. It was on June 28th, 1914, that Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austro-Hungary was assassinated at Sarajevo, igniting World War I. The first American troops landed in France on June 26th, 1917. And on June 28th, 1919, the Treaty of Versailles was signed ending it and reducing Germany to impotence. World War II's greatest military spectacle, the invasion of Europe, came on June 6th, 1944. And the tide of the war in the Pacific was turned at the Battle of Midway in June, 1942, when U. S. Navy airmen sunk four Japanese carriers and broke the back of the Japanese carrier arm. The U. S. Constitution was ratified by the ninth state of the original thirteen, New Hampshire, making it the official, on June 21st, 1788. Before New Hampshire, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Georgia, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maryland and South Carolina had ratified the instrument in that order.

June 3rd is the birthday anniversary of Jefferson Davis, June 14th is Flag Day and June 16th (the third Sunday) is Father's Day. And in June of 1783 a large number of angry, unpaid Revolutionary soldiers at Lancaster, Pennsylvania marched on the capital (and Congress) at Philadelphia and demanded satisfaction. An armed group appeared at the State House but the Executive Council, in session, refused to be intimidated.

Butte, Mont., was once a huge copper center. Georgia was named in honor of King George II of England.

BIBLE VERSE

"Ye will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician, heal thyself."
 1. Who made the above statement?
 2. To whom was he speaking?
 3. Upon what occasion?
 4. Where may this verse be found?

Answers To Bible Verse

1. Jesus.
2. The people, in his hometown of Nazareth.
3. His first visit to Nazareth after inaugurating his ministry.
4. Luke 4: 23A.

WHO KNOWS?

1. When was Queen Elizabeth II crowned Queen of England?
2. How many women have preceded Elizabeth II as Queens of England?
3. When was the Taj Mahal near Agra, India completed?
4. Name the first American woman to swim the English Channel.
5. Who was the first American woman to swim the English Channel both ways?
6. How did the word "fortnight" originate?
7. Where was the first kindergarten established and who was the originator?
8. If someone referred to your "embonpoint," to what would they be referring?
9. When is the General Election to be held?
10. How many electoral votes are needed to elect the President and Vice President?

Answers To Who Knows

1. June 2, 1953.
2. Five.
3. In 1648.
4. Gertrude Ederle, in 1926.
5. Florence Chadwick, in 1950.
6. It is a contraction of "fourteen nights."
7. The first kindergarten was established in Germany, about 1837 by Frederic Froebel.
8. Your plumpness.
9. November 5th.
10. 270 votes.

The first underwater telecast from a submarine was made in 1947 from the U.S.S. Trumpetfish at the Brooklyn Navy Yard in New York City.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Mrs. Transeau:
 One of our local girls, Marcia Copeland of Belvidere, is being graduated from Petersburg General Hospital School of Nursing, and I thought you might like to publish the fact. Marcia is a fine young lady who has won the love and respect of everyone at our school, and you should be very proud of such a fine local product. I am enclosing a picture that I hope you will be able to use. Here is the information:
 Miss Marcia Copeland of Belvidere is being graduated from Petersburg General Hospital School of Nursing on Friday, May 31, 1968. Marcia is currently serving as Secretary of the Senior Class and is an active member of the Social Committee, Commencement Exercises will be held at 7 p.m. at the Elm Street Baptist Church. Being graduated from a school of nursing is no small accomplishment, and I hope that you are as proud of Marcia as we all are!
 Sincerely,
 Mrs. Jean P. Betton, R. N.
 Admissions Counselor



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"Those three are always together," remarked Lisa's mother. She was referring to her little daughter, who is seldom seen without her beloved collie, and her well-worn rag doll. They are content companions.

"Lisa is very sensitive about friends," her mother continued. "And this week she came home from Sunday School with a very important lesson. Her teacher told her about God's love, and how He never leaves us. Lisa came skipping into the house and announced, 'Now I have three good friends, and the best one of all is Jesus.'"

Little Lisa had indeed learned a wonderful truth. All of us need to discover it for our own lives. For every life needs the companionship of God. Let your church bring this hope and promise to you.

Sunday Exodus 33:7-23	Monday Joshua 1:1-7	Tuesday II Kings 2:1-14	Wednesday Matthew 11:7-19	Thursday John 14:18-31	Friday Philippians 1:3-11	Saturday James 4:1-10
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IS GOODNESS ENOUGH?
 International Sunday School Lesson for June 2, 1968
 Memory Selection: "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life." - (Proverbs 4:23).
 Lesson Text: Job 31.

The fortunes and misfortunes of a righteous man (Job) have become a slide rule for the countless generations since his time. And certainly his life, his victories, his misfortunes hold, today, a valuable lesson for self-confessed Christians everywhere.

As we will see from our Scriptural passages under study today, Job was certainly a good man. And we will identify with him in terms of character; for Job's strengths - and his weaknesses - are the strengths and weaknesses of every one of us. He was, undeniably, a human being!

Jew in Biblical times adheres strictly to LAW; herein they found their acceptance with God. It was, indeed, somewhat paradoxical that Jesus - the Son of God - was more liberal in His interpretation of those laws than suited the more orthodox members of the Jewish faith! For, while Jesus respected the law of Moses, He declared that he came to fulfill it.

Thus it is that the Sermon on the Mount (with its emphasis upon righteousness) has its source in the heart of individual man, rather than the oftentimes hypocritical show of adherence to its concepts that we are often exposed to.

No one would doubt Job's righteousness, who read his Book; however, one should question the pride he took in that righteousness. For humility before God, and for God, is one of the basic precepts of the acceptability of a soul in God's eyes.

In Job's time misfortunes were regarded as a punishment for sin; therefore, this view of the troubles that plagued Job was a generally accepted thing among his compatriots. This led Job to evaluate himself as a man, and as a believer. And this self-analysis exposed his weakness! He was a man of pride! And pride - according to the Word of God - is a sin!

While it is true that a person has to have some pride, this is an attribute which (like credit) can be a blessing or a curse. Credit, wisely used, is a good thing to have; abused, it can become a Frankenstein which rules us, and brings much regret! The personal pride, which stubbornly refuses to let one stoop to meanness and deceit - that is a good pride. Pride in one's accomplishments, that have been honestly sought after and honestly earned - that is a good pride. As is a deep, inner personal fight that is fought and won, leaving us a better person, more understanding, more tolerant, more kindly. But the kind of pride that is based solely on an enumeration of our virtues... that is something else! And that was what Job had. True, he did not realize he was sinning; the kind of man he was, that would have been the last thing that entered his mind! But he was guilty of sin when he questioned God's will, and the trend it was taking with his life, and this he came to see.

And therein lies a lesson for all of us! For Job was aware of his goodness - his feeding of the poor and hungry, his hospitality to the wayfarer. Yes - Job was, indeed, a good man in his day and times! Yet, there is a difference between Job and those whom Jesus praised for doing good! The people in the parable of Jesus were not consciously aware of doing good - they were acting in a way that just came naturally to them! (Indeed, they were hard-pressed, afterwards, to remember what they had done).

Are we not often guilty of this? Do we not fall heir to strolling our good deeds, so that they will offset our misdemeanors? Do we not lose sight of the fact that - although we can fool our fellow men, we cannot fool God, who sees into our hearts? This was Job's error; this - and the fact he questioned God's ways! But - Job came through! He saw, he profited, he learned from his experiences, and became a better person. Let us pray that we can be as pliable in God's hands!

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